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Village Visit Report: Singaram

Administrative Dynamics & Rural Heritage | Narayanpet District

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Expression of Gratitude

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Sincerely,
Group 1



Introduction & Context

🎯 Purpose of Visit

To bridge the gap between policy "on paper" and reality "on the ground" using Participatory Learning and Action (PLA) techniques. Understanding grassroots governance and heritage preservation.

📍 Scope & Duration

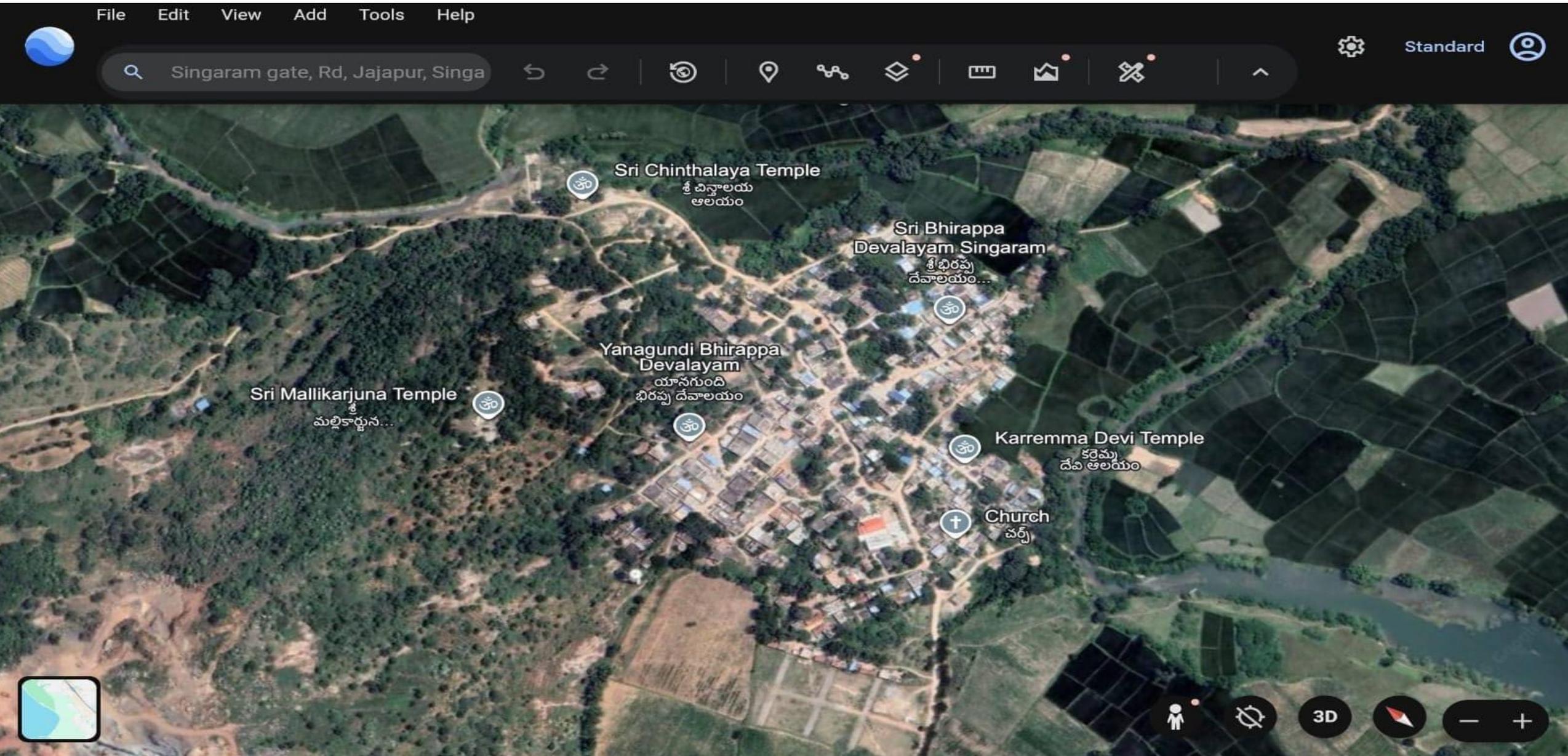
Duration: 7 Days (Departure from MCRHRDIT to Return)

Focus: Immersive field study covering Governance, Agriculture, Education, and Health infrastructure in Singaram Village and Narayanpet, ward no-2

Village Profile: Singaram

Parameter	Details
Gram Panchayat Name	Singaram
Formation Year	2018 (New GP)
District	Narayanpet
Leadership	Sarpanch: K Nagi Reddy Secretary: Mr Srinivas
Demographics	Population: 2212 (2011 Census)
Geographical Area	[Area in Hectares]: 862

Satellite Map of Singaram Village



Sri Chinthalaya Temple
శ్రీ చిన్తలయ ఆలయం

Sri Bhirappa Devalayam Singaram
శ్రీ భిరప్ప దేవాలయం...

Yanagundi Bhirappa Devalayam
యానగుంది భిరప్ప దేవాలయం

Sri Mallikarjuna Temple
శ్రీ మల్లికార్జున...

Karremma Devi Temple
కర్రమ్మ దేవి ఆలయం

Church
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Village Visit Timeline

Arrival : Day 0

Briefing by District
Collector (DC)



Days 1-2

Transect Walk, GP
Visit, Resource
Mapping



Days 3-4

Institutional Visits
(Schools, PHC, Rythu
Vedika), Republic Day
Celebration



Days 5-6

ULB Interaction,
Scheme Analysis



Day 7

Debriefing & Return



Briefing By Collector ,Narayanpet

- Narayanpet District is a last carved district from telangana in 2019
- Bordered with Karnataka.
- Backward district of the state with lowest literacy ratio of 40%
- Kannada medium schools can be found in the district along with kannada speaking people



Transect Walk (06:30 AM)

- ✓ **Participants:** Group Members, Farmers, GP Secretary.
- ✓ **Route:** Village Center → Temple → Agricultural Periphery → Check Dam → Cemetery .
- ✓ **Objective:** Physical verification of land use, crop patterns, and irrigation access.
- ✓ **Observation:** Clear demarcation between residential and agricultural zones; internal roads are CC.
- ✓ **Challenge:** Water Channel between the pathway and the cemetery gets flooded during rainy season hence need urgent construction of culvert.



Key Findings from Transect Walk



Soil & Crops

Predominantly Paddy is grown, with cotton and pulses grown during seasons of less rainfall



Water Sources

High dependency on Borewells. Minor irrigation with the help of check dam present. Mission Bhagiratha pipelines observed.



Connectivity

Internal CC roads are functional. Approach path to cemetery requires maintenance.



Crops and Soil



Mission Bhagiratha Tank

Development History (Timeline)

1980s

Introduction of
Electrification



2000s

SHG Formation Boom
(Economic
Independence)



2016

Mission Bhagiratha
Pipeline (Mixed
Satisfaction)



2018

Formation of New
Gram Panchayat



2023

Rythu Vedika
Construction





Institutional Visit Overview

Auditing the "Three Fs": Funds, Functions, and
Functionaries

Key Institutions: Schools, AWC, PHC, Rythu Vedika, ULB
Office, Ration Shop

Primary School Assessment

Observations (Assessor: Ankit)

- ✓ **Infrastructure:** Classrooms generally good; toilets require maintenance.
- ✓ **Mid-Day Meal:** Menu adherence mostly observed. Quality is satisfactory.
- ✓ **Gaps:** Lack of digital teaching aids in primary sections. Urgent lack of adequate furniture with the one available being non installable due to mismatch
- ✓ **Event:** Republic Day flag hoisting observed .



Anganwadi Centers (AWC)

Services

- ✓ **Beneficiaries:** Children (0-6), Pregnant/Lactating mothers.
- ✓ **Nutrition:** Stock check of "Balamrutham" and eggs showed adequate supply.
- ✓ **Health:** Growth monitoring charts maintained.

Comparative Analysis

Village AWC vs. ULB AWC: The center in the ULB (Ward 2) faces significant space constraints compared to the main village center.



Primary Health Center (PHC)



Health Services (Assessor: Raju)

- ✓ **OPD:** Doctor available during hours.
- ✓ **Maternal Health:** Interaction with Asha Workers confirmed regular surveillance. KCR Kits distributed.
- ✓ **Emergency:** 108 Ambulance service is responsive.
- ✓ **Challenge:** Occasional stock-outs of specific medicines reported by villagers due to delay in funds.
- ✓ **success story--:** No mis- carriage recorded in village history..

Agriculture: Rythu Vedika & Extension

Rythu Vedika Functions

The **Rythu Vedika** serves as a critical platform for farmer interaction. AEO meetings are held here regularly to discuss crop booking and pest control.

- ✓ **Training:** Awareness programs on climate-resilient practices.
- ✓ **Support:** Hub for Rythu Bandhu related queries.
- ✓ **Nursery:** Saplings for Haritha Haram are managed nearby.
- ✓ **challenge:-** farmers hesitation in digital crop survey due to owner and tenant disagreement.



Rythu Vedika: Farmer's Platform

Self Help Groups (SHGs)

Women Empowerment

Total 500 women members in 38 SHGs are present in Gram panchayat Singaram .

Loans of 10-15 lakhs have been taken from SBI

Narayanpet for self employment opportunities among women

Impact : No NPA observed and small time businesses like saree business ,kirana shop were setup.



38+

ACTIVE GROUPS

100%

REPAYMENT RATE

SHG Agabatti Making Machine



Product made by the SHG

Public Distribution System (PDS)



Ration Shop Distribution

Efficiency Check

- ✓ **Technology:** Biometric authentication (e-POS) is functional.
- ✓ **Quality:** Visual inspection of Rice stocks showed satisfactory quality.
- ✓ **Issue:** thumb imprint not recognise causing waiting times.
- ✓ **Coverage:** Covers nearly 100% of eligible BPL families.
- ✓ **Coverage:** Garib kalyan ann yojna covers nearly 100% of eligible families and provides free ration.

Resource Mapping Exercise

Facilitator: School headmaster and Anganwadi teaches and villagers.

Process: Conducted with local youth and school children using **chalk** on the ground.

Resources Identified:

- ✓ Mission bhagirathi water (Tanks).
- ✓ Agriculture lands (diminishing).
- ✓ Waste dump sites (informal).
- ✓ GP Nursery
- ✓ Rythu Vedika
- ✓ Community Building



Social Mapping Analysis



Demographics

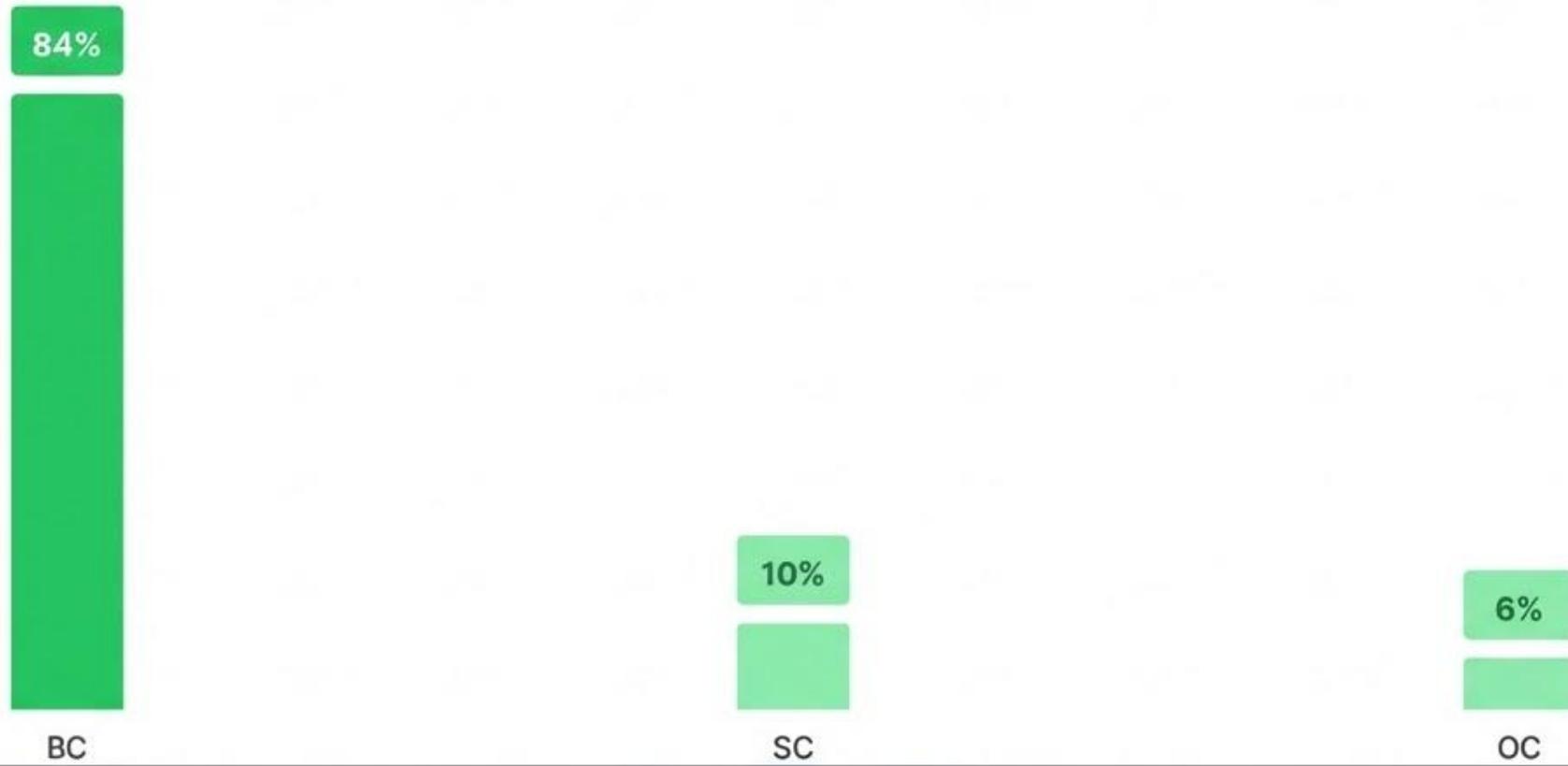
Mapping of households reveals that SC/ST and other communities are living in harmony.



Occupation

Majority holds agricultural lands and few works as daily wage workers.

Community Statistics



Approximate Population Distribution

Seasonality Analysis

Rainfall & Agriculture

Agriculture is strictly dependent on rainfall supplemented by bore wells. Those with borewell grow paddy twice a year and without borewell farmers grow cotton and other vegetables.

Labor & Health

Wage Employment: High demand for MGNREGA during summer months when farm work is low.

Diseases: Spike in vector-borne diseases observed during the monsoon transition.

Participatory Analysis

Matrix Ranking

Villagers ranked services based on Access, Quality, and Timeliness.

- ✓ **Top Ranked:** Power Supply (24/7), Ration Distribution.
- ✓ **Low Ranked:** Drainage, Sanitation.

Venn Diagram (Institutional Relation)

Facilitator: Secretary Gram panchayat Singaram

Circles represent institutions; size indicates importance, overlap indicates interaction.

- ✓ **School:** Large, distinct circles (High Importance).
- ✓ **PHC & Women:** High overlap (Strong interaction).

Gram Singararam Panchayat

GRAM
PANCHAYAT

ANGANWADI
+
SCHOOL
[UP TO 8TH]

SELF HELP GROUP
[MAHILA SANGAM]

COMMUNITY

BANK

RYTHU VEDIKA
+
GRAM PANCHAYAT
NURSERY

PHC
SUBCENTER
+
HOSPITAL

SECONDARY
+
SENIOR SECONDARY
SCHOOL
[8TH - 12TH]

Government Schemes Overview



Rythu Bharosa

Investment support of
Rs. 12,000/Year/Acre



Mission Bhagiratha

Piped water. Tail-end
issues persist.



Govt Medical Kit

Maternal wellness.
High awareness.



Aasara Pensions

Social security.
Crucial for elderly.

Scheme Analysis Details

Rythu Bandhu

Objective: Investment support (₹12,000/acre).

Observation: Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) works efficiently. Tenant farmers often excluded.

MGNREGS

Objective: 100 days of guaranteed wage employment.

Observation: Non Asset Creating work

Solid Waste Management (SWM–Narayanpet Municipality)



Observation :

- ✓ **Infrastructure:** Segregation shed visited. Machinery for segregating waste and converting into briquette for fuel.
- ✓ **Practice:** Household level segregation of dry/wet waste is encouraged but inconsistent.
- ✓ **Challenge:** Machines are shut down for last three months due to payment issue from municipality that's why segregation is done by hand at dumping yard

Environmental Initiatives



Haritha Haram Initiatives

Telangana Ku Haritha Haram

- ✓ **Nursery:** Under the above scheme nursery was setup on a private land by the gram panchayat encouraging distribution of saplings for every house.
- ✓ **Community:** High survival rate of saplings due to community ownership.
- ✓ **Palle Prakruti Vanam- Singaram:** Acts as a recreational park for elderly and children. Maintained by GP funds.

Social Infrastructure

Check Dam for flood protection

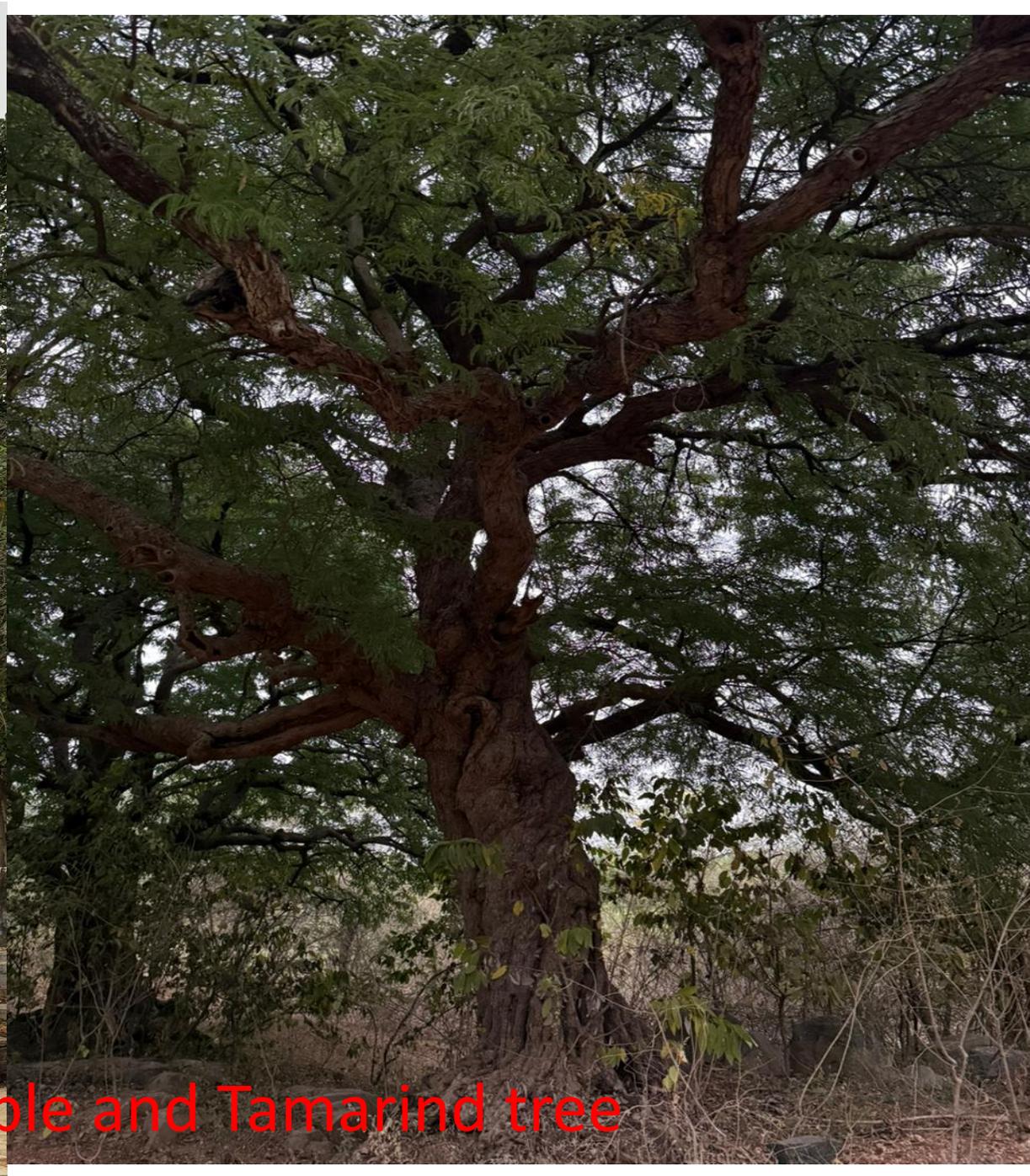
Condition: Well-constructed recently for diverting rain water and prevent crop damage.

Challenge: another check dam in a dilapidated state in the village.

Community Spaces

Temples/Heritage: Special Gram Sabha meeting for "My Village My Heritage" highlighted ancient structures of the village

Usage: Active community gatherings observed during Republic Day at the Panchayat office



100+ years old Temple and Tamarind tree

Key Observations & Findings

Strengths

- ✓ Strong SHG network driving micro-economy.
- ✓ Connectivity to main district, Narayanpet for easy access to hospital and bank
- ✓ Different Community living in harmony..
- ✓ Effective DBT implementation (Rythu Bharosa).

Challenges

- ✓ Drainage issues in village as roads are inundated in rainy season..
- ✓ New furniture for primary school in village is not in use for a year due to fitting issues
- ✓ burning of waste in the village dumping yard.
- ✓ Lack of veterinary regularity.

Suggestions & Recommendations

Infrastructure

Immediate repair of Anganwadi boundary wall for safety. Construction of damaged road towards cemetery.

Governance

Gram panchayat development plan not implemented effectively and efforts are minimal among ward members of the Gram Panchayat.

Inclusion

Specific policy focus required for tenant farmers who are not involved in Digital Crop Survey by Agriculture Extension Officer for distribution of benefits under Rythu Bharosa.

Conclusion



Singaram is a progressive village transitioning into a semi-urban cluster. While infrastructure (Roads/Electricity) is strong, social indicators (Health/Education quality) require sustained focus to ensure holistic development.

- Assessment by Group I

Thank You

Special thanks to the District Collector, Sarpanch, and Villagers of Singaram.

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